

CSWC Operational Period Summary

0600 February 16 2015 to 1800 February 16 2015

Point Arena-Stometta Public Lands, Point Arena, Mendocino County
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Note: [Report changes/updates are in blue](#)

SITUATION SUMMARY

Oil Train Derailment, Fayette County, West Virginia

Per media reports and DHS National Operations Center, on 02/16/15 at around 1337 hours (EST), 25 of 107 tanker cars of a CSX train derailed in Fayette County, West Virginia, causing a fire, explosions, and evacuations.

- Several rail cars exploded or are involved with an ongoing fire. Per West Virginia Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services, the fire is expected to burn until early Tuesday morning.
- Media reports one rail car hit a residence causing a fire that destroyed the house.
- Approximately 2,400 residents in the surrounding area have been evacuated.
- FEMA reports two evacuation shelters have been established and per Fayette County Emergency Services, about 200 people are in shelters.
- Officials said that several of the cars spilled into the Kanawha River and have released an unknown amount of crude oil.
- The river waterway has not been closed due to the river being iced over, and minimal impacts are anticipated.
- Severe winter weather is hampering response efforts: no USCG vessels are being deployed due to the icy conditions of the river; deployed West Virginia EPA crews are being slowed due to the inclement weather.
- One injury and no fatalities have been reported.
- West Virginia Governor Earl Ray Tomblin declared a State of Emergency for Fayette and Kanawha Counties due to the trail derailment.
- There have been no requests for FEMA assistance, and DHS National Operations Center and FEMA Region III Regional Watch Center continue to monitor the incident.

6.9 Magnitude Earthquake Off East Coast of Honshu Japan

On 02/16/15 at 1506 hours, a verified 6.9 magnitude earthquake occurred off the east coast of Honshu, Japan. National Tsunami Warning Center issued a Public Tsunami Information Statement advising no tsunami danger for California. Warning Center briefed all California Coastal Warning Points.

Highly Pathogenic H5N8 Avian Influenza Confirmed in Commercial Chicken and Duck Flock, Kings County

US Department of Agriculture (USDA) and California Department of Food and Agriculture (CDFA) have confirmed the presence of Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza (HPAI) EA H5N8 virus in a commercial chicken and duck flock in Kings County. The virus was investigated upon after a flock was experiencing steadily increasing mortality. In response, the facility was officially quarantined and the USDA confirmed that the birds are completely enclosed with no access to the outside. Samples have been taken from infected bird houses and have been sent to the National Veterinary Services Laboratories (NVSL) who confirmed that the sequence is 99% similar to the H5N8 detected in late January.

- There are currently no requests for assistance.

SITUATION SUMMARY

Weather of Concern

No significant Weather Watches or Warnings are in effect.

Active Weather Warnings, Watches and Advisories by County: http://www.wrh.noaa.gov/sto/brief/www_bc_cal.php

Cal EOC Incident – 2014 Drought

- SOC / Inland REOC remains activated in support of 2014 Drought

WEATHER

WEATHER SYNOPSIS BY REGION:

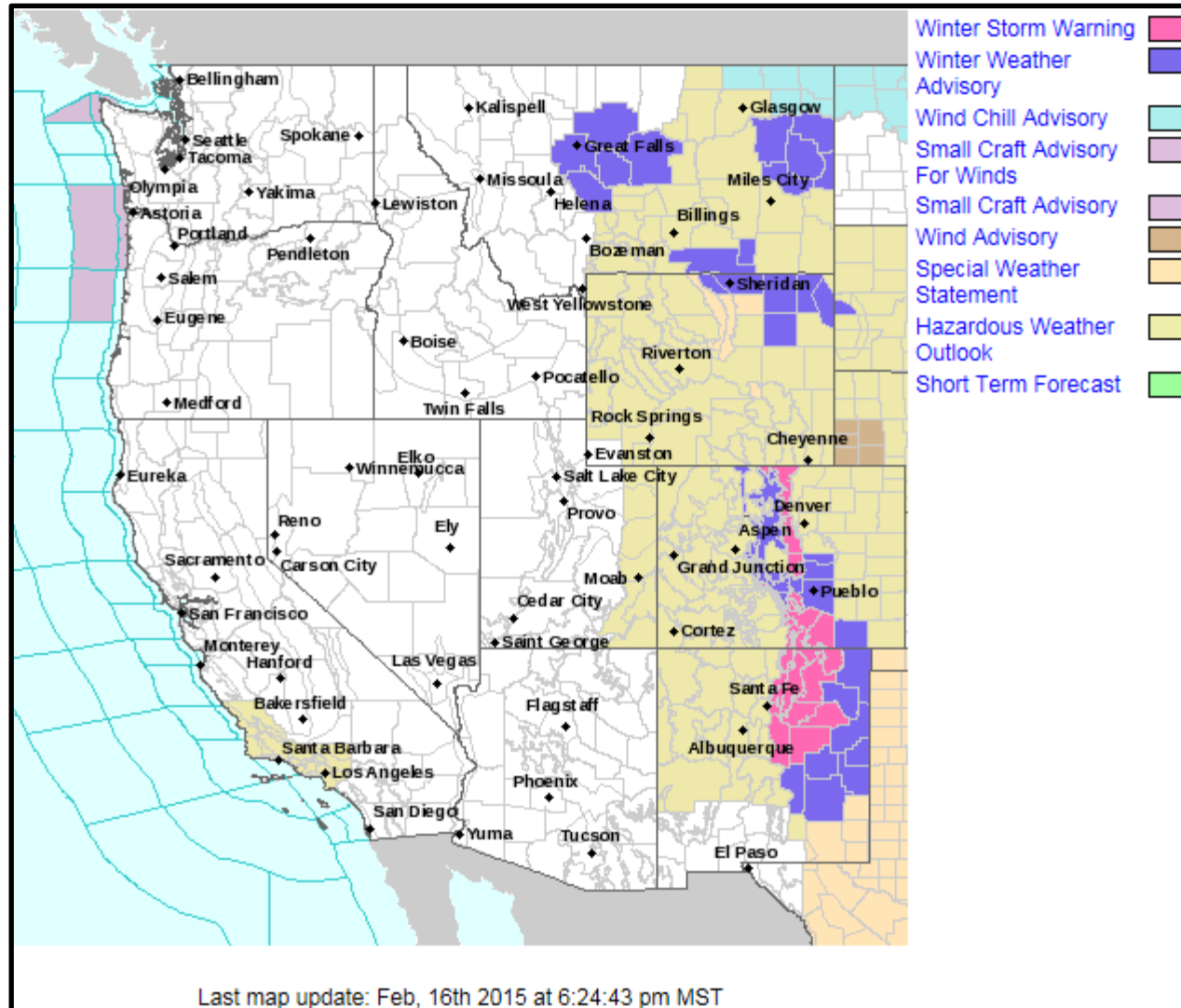
NORTHERN CALIFORNIA

Dry weather with generally light winds will continue this week as high pressure persists over the West Coast. Daytime highs will be above normal with moderately low relative humidity values.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

High pressure off the California Coast will continue dry weather through Thursday. Above average temperatures will continue for inland areas. Towards the coast, the marine layer and weak onshore flow will keep temperatures cooler with higher humidities. For next weekend, a low pressure system moving southward through the western states will bring stronger onshore flow with cooling, higher humidities, and small chances for precipitation.

STATE WEATHER MAP



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FIRE ACTIVITY



Preparedness Levels

National Preparedness Level 1

Northern California

Preparedness Level 1, Multi-Agency Coordination System MACS Mode 1

Southern California

Preparedness Level 2, Multi-Agency Coordination System MACS Mode 2

California Fire Potential & Weather Maps

Southern California 7 Day Significant Fire Potential

<http://psgeodata.fs.fed.us/7day/action/forecast/8>

Northern California 7 Day Significant Fire Potential

<http://psgeodata.fs.fed.us/7day/action/forecast/10>

California Fire Weather Map Watches and Warnings

<http://www.wrh.noaa.gov/firewx/main.php>

NWS California River Forecast Center:

<http://www.cnrfc.noaa.gov/>

RECOVERY ACTIVITIES

Magnitude 6.0 Earthquake, American Canyon, Napa County

- Cal OES and FEMA announced that the Major Disaster declaration for the South Napa earthquake will also include the Individuals and Households Program under the Stafford Act. This amendment makes assistance available to help homeowners and renters recover from the earthquake.
- As a result of President Obama's major disaster declaration, the U.S. Small Business Administration declared Napa and Solano counties, making residents and business owners eligible to apply for low-interest physical loss disaster loans. This declaration also made available low-interest Economic Injury Disaster Loans (EIDL) for businesses to apply in the primary counties of Napa and Solano, as well as the contiguous counties of Contra Costa, Lake, Sacramento, Sonoma, and Yolo.

Recovery Activities

Public Assistance

- RPA: 63 RPAs were received by Cal OES of which 5 withdrew resulting in 58 applications submitted to FEMA. There have been 10 withdrawals and one ineligible determination since, for a total of 47 FEMA approved open applications.
- Kickoff Meeting: There is 1 applicant remaining to be scheduled once through FEMA's review queue.
- Currently, 107 PWs are entered into the federal database system, 85 of which have been obligated.
- Exit Briefing: 19 applicants have had Exit briefings conducted.

Individual Assistance

- The FEMA and State VAL continue to work with nonprofit organizations in Napa and Solano Counties regarding Long Term Recovery efforts. The United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) is providing funds to hire initial case management staff for the Napa Earthquake Recovery Group (aka, eNERGy) and the Vallejo Earthquake Recovery Group (VERG). Both Long Term Recovery Groups are seeking funds from partner agencies to assist with unmet needs.
- Assistance Centers – The Local Assistance Center (LAC) in Napa transitioned to an SBA DLOC on Tuesday 12/30/14. The smaller operation maintains a presence by SBA staff. Hours of operation are 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

RECOVERY ACTIVITIES

2014 Statewide December Winter Storms

On 12/22/14, Governor Brown proclaimed a State of Emergency in Marin, Mendocino, San Mateo, and Ventura Counties to allow Caltrans to formally request immediate assistance through FHWA's ER Program in order to obtain federal assistance for highway repairs or reconstruction for damages sustained as a result of the statewide storms impacting California. After assessing the damages, Caltrans is requesting the Governor update his proclamation to include Alameda, Contra Costa, Del Norte, Humboldt, Lake, Los Angeles, Monterey, Orange, San Francisco, Santa Clara, Shasta, Sonoma, Tehama, and Yolo Counties. Cal OES' Recovery Section conducted an assessment to verify the Counties of Lake, Marin, San Mateo, Sonoma, and Tehama's Public Assistance estimates for debris removal, emergency work, and permanent restoration of public facilities in order to determine potential eligibility for State funding.

RECOVERY ACTIVITIES

Round Fire, Inyo and Mono Counties

- Per the onsite Southern Region Field Representative, the Round Fire incident has transitioned from response to recovery.
- Per Cal OES SDO, Mono County Sheriff's Office is reporting that the Local Assistance Center established at the Lake Crowley Community Center is closed. The Cal OES Recovery staff deployed there has returned to home base.
- The American Red Cross and Salvation Army continue offer their support services.
- Southern Region Field Representative ESC demobilized 02/13/15.
- The Southern Region Duty Officer continues to monitor the situation and provide update if needed.

CAL OES 2014 DROUGHT

Cal EOC Incident – 2014 Drought

- The SOC, Inland, Coastal, and Southern REOCs and the Santa Barbara County EOC are activated in support of the Drought State of Emergency and continue to monitor the situation.
- The Governor issued an Executive Order on 09/19/14, to streamline relief efforts for families with drinking water shortages due to drought. Specifically, through the California Disaster Assistance Act, to provide temporary water supplies to households without water for drinking and/or sanitation purposes.
- CDAA 2014 Drought Fact Sheet and Frequently Asked Questions provided to Regions for reference and distribution.
- Cal OES Recovery continues to coordinate a biweekly state interagency conference call regarding drought community impacts.
- Regional (Inland, Coastal, Southern) conference calls will occur once a month beginning February 9, 2015.
- On 02/04/15, the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) approved a Fast Track Drought Disaster Designation naming 55 of the 58 California Counties as primary counties and the remaining three (Del Norte, Imperial, San Francisco) as contiguous counties. This designation makes farm operators in all 58 California counties eligible to apply for USDA Farm Service Agency (FSA) emergency loan assistance. As a result of this designation, the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) declared and approved Economic Injury Disaster Loans (EIDL) for small, nonfarm businesses in the 58 counties. These loans offset economic losses because of reduced revenues caused by the drought. The application deadline for both the USDA and SBA loan programs is 10/05/15.
- On 02/04/15, USDA approved a Fast Track Drought Disaster Designation for certain counties in the State of Nevada also naming the California counties of Alpine, El Dorado, Inyo, Lassen, Modoc, Mono, Nevada, Placer, San Bernardino, and Sierra as contiguous counties. This designation makes farm operators in these 10 California counties eligible to apply for USDA FSA emergency loan assistance. As a result of this designation, the SBA declared and approved EIDLs for small, nonfarm businesses in the 10 California contiguous counties. These loans offset economic losses because of reduced revenues caused by the drought. The application deadline for both the USDA and SBA loan programs are 10/05/15.

CAL OES MISSIONS

New Cal OES Missions

- **2015-LAW-8690, 02/16/15**, Air Force Rescue Coordination Center (AFRCC) advised of an ELT sounding in the area of Malibu, Los Angeles County. AFRCC will activate Civil Air Patrol (CAP). Cal OES LDO is coordinating resources. **Mission Ongoing**
- **2015-LAW-8698, 02/16/15**, Air Force Rescue Coordination Center (AFRCC) advised of an ELT near Woodland Airport, Yolo County. Update: 1641 hours, Yolo County Sheriff's Office advised that the owner of the activation was performing maintenance and activated the ELT accidentally. Update: 1757 hours, AFRCC advised they received notice that the ELT was located and silenced, non-distress. **Mission Closed**

Closed Cal OES Missions

- **2015-LAW-8676, 02/14/15**, Lake County Sheriff's Office (LCSO) requested SAR resources to assist locating a 59 year old male with medical issues missing near the town of Hidden Valley Lake. The missing person (MP) was last seen at 0830 hours Saturday and later sent a text to his wife indicating he was possibly suicidal. LCSO is requesting 20 Type II Ground Searchers and 2 Area K-9's. LDO contacted Napa, Mendocino and Sonoma Counties for the ground resources and the Cal OES Law Branch K-9 Coordinator arranged K-9 requests. **Update: 2/15/15, 0906 hrs., LCSO advised search teams located the remains of the missing person. All out of county mutual aid resources were released. Mission Closed**





Mission:

We protect lives and property, build capabilities, and support our communities for a resilient California.

We achieve our mission by serving the public through effective collaboration in preparing for, protecting against, responding to, recovering from, and mitigating the impacts of all hazards and threats.